



Docket No. 1232-4457

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Masahiko SAKAYORI, et al.

Group Art Unit: 3623

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Examiner: Susanna M. MEINECKE DIAZ

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For: PARTS ORDERING SYSTEM, PARTS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND
APPARATUS FOR MANAGING ORDERING AND RECEIPT OF ORDERS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Official Action dated January 12, 2006, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments before examination on the merits. A Request for Continued Examination is also being filed herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.